

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the specification by inserting headings as appropriate. Applicants have also amended the claims to put them in better form for examination in the United States and to reduce fees by reducing multiple dependency. No new matter has been added, nor has the claim scope been narrowed by these amendments.

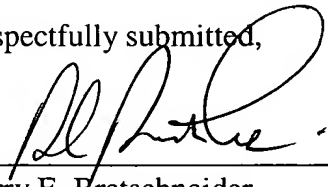
Early action allowing the claims as amended is solicited.

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 532622010400.

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